

**JANUARY 2017 – MONTHLY MEMBER MEETING– MINUTES**  
Council, Inc.

Downtown Residence



**Date: January 10, 2017 @ 6:00pm**

**Place: Public Library, 800 Vine Street, Tower Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

**Welcome:** Gary Bryson

Special thanks to:

Ginnie Schlosser and to all the people who donated \$ & gifts for families

Brigid Almaguer for organizing the great Holiday Party

John Stringer & Mike Glotfelter for preparing & submitting the NSP budget for approval

\_New members stood and introduced themselves

**Introduction of New Members** (Melissa Ullman)

**Residential**

Carol Jennewein

Total Attendees – over 50

**Monthly Reports:**

**Cincinnati Police Department** – Capt. Mike Neville

Crime down small % (2016) it was down larger % in 2015

Will add 2 more officers downtown (11 am – 9pm that will be on bikes/6 new cops within last 2 yrs.)  
Down town is growing Chief Isaac realizes the necessity for more visibility

More police near Fountain Square to discourage Panhandlers

Several of regular panhandlers under arrest, however temporary

**Cincinnati Fire Department** – Capt. George from Engine 3 (9<sup>th</sup> & Broadway)

12 fires this month

200 EMS runs

8 runs per day (down from summer)

Note: Mt. Adams – power out

**Safety:**

Ensure you have flashlights & batteries (recommend not using candles)

Home heating fires up in the winter

Space Heaters (keep items 3 feet away)

Plan two ways of exit from your home or apartment, in case of emergency –  
train family

Narcan usage is down (12 cases in 45202 zip in Dec. 2016)

Must be trained to administer Narcan

Jan. – fire hydrants maintenance

Recognized Jeff, fire fighter who's in in paramedic school (aim to be better Fire Fighter)

Special thanks to DRC, Inc. for plaque given for fallen fire fighter handled by Craig Hudson

Option to adopt a firehouse

DRC, Inc. distributed goody basket to Firehouse on 9<sup>th</sup> , plans to expand to other firehouses  
downtown

**Ambassadors Report** – Zach Finch – n/a

**Speakers:**

**Brad Thomas**, Metro (Chairman Operations) [www.go-metro.com](http://www.go-metro.com)

Plan to visit 52 neighborhoods – status of Metro opportunities & challenges

Advantages for those in the Hub

Sole funding from city s.03%/hit with recession/ridership down/more service in West Chester, etc.

Encourage counties to pay more; note the bus fare is almost double to travel to these areas outer areas in zone 2+

351 buses – expected to last for 12 yrs./maintenance cost

2017 see brochure – State of Metro: At a Crossroads (measurements will be available around March)

Encourage attending meetings – need our support

City is the legal owner of the asset (streetcar)/Metro – operates

Working to resolves issues with streetcar testing for next 2 weeks at all stops

Real-time, ticket machine, etc.

If you experience any issues, please text problem to **513-478-3163**

Recommend downloading the transit app – **Transit: Real-Time Transit App**

**Betsy Newman**, Executive Director of SCORE Cincinnati (see folder with info)

[www.scoreworks.org](http://www.scoreworks.org) [newmanbk@ymail.com](mailto:newmanbk@ymail.com) 513-256-3797

SCORE (started 54 years ago) free business mentoring/ 300 chapters nationwide with over 10,000 volunteers

One-on-One counseling

Group Mentoring

Free and low cost seminars (offer scholarships)

Online Resources

Encourage volunteers & mentors to utilize their skills

**Mindy Rosen**, Senior Vice President, Downtown Cincinnati, Inc. (DCI, Inc.)

[mindy@downtowncincinnati.com](mailto:mindy@downtowncincinnati.com) or [cate@downtowncincinnati.com](mailto:cate@downtowncincinnati.com)

Non-profit agency, taking stronger approach in outreach and help diffuse panhandling

Chico Lockhart – current Social Service Outreach Coordinator

Carlos Davis – **new** full-time Social Service Outreach Coordinator

Handout – new brochure (available at Visitor's Center) to educate

Encourage donating funds to agency versus directly to Panhandlers

Call Ambassador Downtown Hotline **513-623-3429** (answered 18 hours per day)

Ambassadors assist with the following:

Walk to your car  
Help you find restaurant  
Panhandlers too aggressive  
Trash, graffiti, etc.  
Good relationship with Police Dept.

### **Old Business**

Approval of **November 2016** Minutes  
1<sup>st</sup> – Rick Dieringer 2<sup>nd</sup> – Chris Smith

### **New Business**

- Board Member Nominations and Elections – please contact Sue Byrom or a member of nominating committee know if you have interests in being nominated for a position on the board.

### **Reports:**

**Events Committee** – Brigid Almaguer (**Social:** at the new Holiday Inn corner of 7<sup>th</sup> & Broadway – no RSVP necessary)

**Clean, Green and Safe** – Gary Bryson (n/a)

**Treasurer Report** – John Stringer (Beginning Bal \$17,050.55 Ending Bal. \$14,410.58 – Rec'd \$14,815 Paid Out – \$10,385)

**President's report** – Gary Bryson (n/a)

### **Announcements** (All non-political items are welcome)

Feb. 8, 7:45 am Breakfast Lecture Series at Masonic Temple, featuring Hamilton County Coroner, Dr. Lakshmi Sammarco To register: [www.cincinnati.masoniccenter.com/bls](http://www.cincinnati.masoniccenter.com/bls) or 513-421-3579

Chris Smith – Lost Tea Rooms of Downtown Reflections & Recipes book signing Sat., Jan. 28 at 1pm, join author Cynthia Kuhn Beischel

Freestore Food help make power-packs must register to help Monday, MLK Day, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>

Jerry manager at Macy's downtown store is maintaining and not in threat to close

Phillip Denning/Lindsey Florea – sponsoring two public engagement workshop for Shillito's Bldg./ 9<sup>th</sup>& Plum on Jan. 18 – 5-7pm info on need feedback 805 Central Ave., Suite 700 – 7<sup>th</sup> floor (city owns site – development opportunities) [www.choosecincy.com](http://www.choosecincy.com)

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, February 14, 2017 “Valentine’s Day” (Social to follow)

**Treasurer's Monthly Summary Report for December 2016**

Column1	DATE	CHECK #	PAID TO	PURPOSE	EXPENSES	RECEIVED	SOURCE	TYPE	BALANCE
<b>Year to Date Total</b>	11/30/16				\$6,964.64	\$14,034.60			\$17,050.55
	12/7/16	559	Gary Bryson	Platt Park Holiday Decorations	\$57.24				\$16,993.31
	12/13/16	560	VOID		\$0.00				\$16,993.31
	12/13/16	561	Prime Cincinnati	DRC Holiday Party	\$2,613.66				\$14,379.65
	12/29/16	562	Cappels	Platt Park Holiday Decorations	\$34.20				\$14,345.45
	12/29/16	563	Gary Bryson	Keep Cincinnati Beautiful Supplies	\$176.18				\$14,169.27
	12/29/16	564	James Mathews	Fido Field	\$538.78	\$538.78	Fido Field Reimbursement	The Greater Cincinnati Foundation	\$14,169.27
	12/29/16					\$96.31	Paypal Dues	Shoemaker, Christian, Wissel, Flourish, Bokmand	\$14,265.58
	12/29/16					\$145.00	member dues	Wertz, Jones, Hogan, Joyce, Phillips, Coomes, Wright, Friends of Public Library	\$14,410.58
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<b>Year to Date Total</b>	12/31/16				\$10,384.70	\$14,814.69			\$14,410.58
<b>Year to Date Net</b>	12/31/16				\$4,429.99				\$14,410.58